MOST SERIOUS OFFENSE* OF INMATES ADMITTED TO SCDC FY 2015

OFFENSE	BLACK MALES		BLACK FEMALES		WHITE MALES		WHITE FEMALES		OTHER MALES		OTHER FEMALES		TOTAL	
CLASSIFICATION	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
DANGEROUS DRUGS	879	20.0%	31	10.8%	579	18.4%	176	26.4%	44	27.2%	6	37.5%	1,715	19.8%
BURGLARY	702	16.0%	11	3.8%	551	17.6%	74	11.1%	13	8.0%	1	6.3%	1,352	15.6%
LARCENY	362	8.3%	56	19.6%	323	10.3%	89	13.4%	5	3.1%	1	6.3%	836	9.7%
ASSAULT	414	9.4%	20	7.0%	255	8.1%	20	3.0%	22	13.6%	1	6.3%	732	8.5%
TRAFFIC OFFENSE	233	5.3%	31	10.8%	216	6.9%	48	7.2%	30	18.5%	1	6.3%	559	6.5%
ROBBERY	389	8.9%	6	2.1%	108	3.4%	13	2.0%	2	1.2%	1	6.3%	519	6.0%
FAMILY OFFENSE	202	4.6%	17	5.9%	201	6.4%	49	7.4%	7	4.3%	3	18.8%	479	5.5%
FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY	98	2.2%	46	16.1%	112	3.6%	77	11.6%	2	1.2%	0	0.0%	335	3.9%
WEAPON OFFENSE	224	5.1%	1	0.3%	80	2.5%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	1	6.3%	309	3.6%
HOMICIDE	175	4.0%	8	2.8%	71	2.3%	11	1.7%	4	2.5%	1	6.3%	270	3.1%
SEX OFFENSES	128	2.9%	0	0.0%	98	3.1%	0	0.0%	5	3.1%	0	0.0%	231	2.7%
STOLEN VEHICLE	96	2.2%	2	0.7%	110	3.5%	17	2.6%	2	1.2%	0	0.0%	227	2.6%
OBSTRUCTING POLICE	99	2.3%	10	3.5%	79	2.5%	14	2.1%	9	5.6%	0	0.0%	211	2.4%
FORGERY/COUNTERFEIT	76	1.7%	30	10.5%	58	1.8%	31	4.7%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	196	2.3%
SEXUAL ASSAULT	80	1.8%	0	0.0%	103	3.3%	2	0.3%	11	6.8%	0	0.0%	196	2.3%
STOLEN PROPERTY	50	1.1%	3	1.0%	49	1.6%	7	1.1%	2	1.2%	0	0.0%	111	1.3%
KIDNAPPING	57	1.3%	1	0.3%	15	0.5%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	76	0.9%
ACCESSORY TO FELONY	29	0.7%	5	1.7%	17	0.5%	10	1.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	61	0.7%
CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY	13	0.3%	2	0.7%	13	0.4%	5	0.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	33	0.4%
ARSON	5	0.1%	3	1.0%	21	0.7%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	32	0.4%
DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	11	0.3%	0	0.0%	16	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	27	0.3%
INVASION	13	0.3%	2	0.7%	10	0.3%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	26	0.3%
FLIGHT/ESCAPE	12	0.3%	0	0.0%	6	0.2%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	20	0.2%
SMUGGLING	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	10	0.3%	0	0.0%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	17	0.2%
OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	6	0.1%	0	0.0%	5	0.2%	4	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	15	0.2%
PUBLIC PEACE	5	0.1%	0	0.0%	6	0.2%	0	0.0%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	12	0.1%
CONSERVATION	5	0.1%	1	0.3%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0.1%
POSSESSION TOOLS	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	7	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0.1%
PROPERTY CRIME	5	0.1%	0	0.0%	5	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0.1%
CRIME AGAINST PERSON	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	0.1%
DRUNKENNESS	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
MISPRISON TO FELONY	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
OBSCENE MATERIAL	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.0%
COMMERCIALIZED SEX	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
LIQUOR	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
EMBEZZLEMENT	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
GAMBLING	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
LICENSE VIOLATION	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
EXTORTION	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
GANG OFFENSES	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TATTOOING	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
TOTAL	4,387	100.0%	286	100.0%	3,139	100.0%	666	100.0%	162	100.0%	16	100.0%	8,656	100.0%

^{*}Highlighted areas indicate most common offenses for each demographic group. Inmates often are committed to SCDC with many offenses, with each carrying a specific sentence, county of commitment, etc. To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate. Before August 2005, the offense with the longest sentence determined MSO. Effective August 2005, inmates' MSO is the offense with the highest severity level (i.e. offenses are classified between severity level 1 and 5, with 5 as the most severe). In cases where an inmate has multiple offenses at the same severity level, SCDC considers the category of each offense, where homicide offenses take precedence, followed by sex offenses and violent offenses. If multiple offenses exist within the same category, the offense with the longest sentence then determines MSO. Because of this definitional change, post-2005 MSO data cannot be compared to pre-2005 MSO data.

All percentages rounded.

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